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YOU'RE PRETTY EARLY, EARTH.
YO.
OH, OVER THERE?
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I'M NORA, I SPECIALIZE IN CLOSE RANGE COMBAT WITH A DAGGER.
GUESS I'LL START WITH THE INTRODUCTIONS.

THIS IS PROBABLY MY FIRST TIME MEETING THE OTHER PARTY MEMBERS.
I WOULDN'T WANT TO BE LATE,

FOR HER SAKE, DON'T SAY ANYTHING.
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SHE'S AS FLAT AS A BOARD,

HEY, EARTH, NOT A WORD ABOUT HER FIGURE!

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DON'T TELL ME...

I'M KAZA-MINE.
I USE A BASTARD SWORD.
I'M REIJI. I USE AN AXE AND SHIELD, AND PLAY AS A TANK.
OKAY THEN. SO, WHAT ARE WE HUN-TING?
AND I KNOW SOME HEALING MAGIC AS WELL.
MILLIE HAS A BUNCH OF DIFFERENT MAGIC SKILLS.
OKAY, NICE TO MEET YOU GUYS. BY THE WAY, DOESN'T THIS PARTY HAVE TOO MUCH FOCUS ON OFFENSE?
WELL, IF EVERYO-NE'S READY, LET'S GO!
I'M SURE WE CAN DEAL WITH IT.
WE'RE HERE FOR A WILD BEAR.
THAT'LL BE A TOUGH ONE...
A WILD BEAR, HUH? I'VE HEARD IT'S QUITE TOUGH, AND BIG ON TOP OF THAT

I'LL TRY LURING IN THE ONE OVER THERE.
ALRIGHT, MILLIE, WE'LL COUNT ON YOU FOR SUPPORT MAGIC.
YEAH, BUT THERE'S A BUNCH OF THEM GROUPED TOGE-THER...
HAVE YOU FOUND ONE?
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I'LL GO UP AHEAD AND USE MY STEALTH SKILL.
OKAY.
ACTIVATE STEALTH.

HAWK SHOT
HATE
I'VE GOT IT! INCOMING!
LEAVE IT TO ME!
ACTIVATE HATE CONTROL ARTS: TAUNT!
"TAUNT" IS AN ART FOR PROVOKING.
HATE IS A HIDDEN STAT THAT DETERMINES WHO A MONSTER WILL TARGET.
IT ALLOWS TAKING ATTENTION AWAY FROM AN ALLY.
THIS ART IS GENERALLY USED BY TANKS, WHO HAVE HIGH DEFENSE.

MAKE SURE YOU KEEP IT'S ATTENTION.
BACKSTAB!
LIGHT HEAL.
THANKS FOR THE HEAL, MILLIE!
TSK.
I'LL TRY GIVING IT A SHOT AS WELL.
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IT'S A TOUGH ONE...

FIRE LANCE
OH DEAR.
GUH!
YOU'RE NOT GOING ANYWHERE!
ACTIVA-TE TAUNT!

TSK, DID I UNDEREST!-MATE IT?
I DIDN'T THINK IT WOULD BE THIS TOUGH...
I'M STAR-TING TO RUN LOW ON MP.
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IT SHOULD BE WEAK ON THE FOREHEAD!
GOING OFF MY EXPERIENCE, I'LL NEED TO TAKE A GAMBLE HERE!
THIS WON'T END WELL.
WE'LL NEED TO FINISH IT OFF SOON!

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I'LL ONLY GET THIS ONE SHOT.
IF I CAN'T DO IT, I HAVE NO USE TO THE PARTY!

DID I GET IT?
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I HAVE NO CHOICE, I'LL NEED TO USE
JUST HOW TOUGH IS IT?!
COME AND GET ME, DAMN IT!
WE'LL GET WIPED AT THIS RATE.
I THOUGHT I HIT IT'S WEAK SPOT...
WAS IT TOO SHALL--OW?

WIND BOOSTER!
WIND BOOSTER LEARNED WHEN THE WIND MAGIC SKILL REACHES LV.15. GREATLY INCREASES YOUR SPEED
TAKE THIS!
MY TRUMP CARD!
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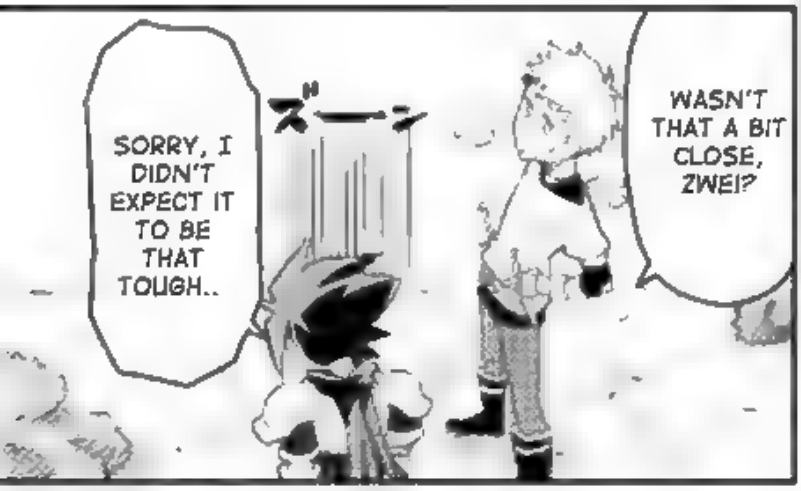
SORRY, I DIDN'T EXPECT IT TO BE THAT TOUGH..
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WASN'T THAT A BIT CLOSE, ZWEI?

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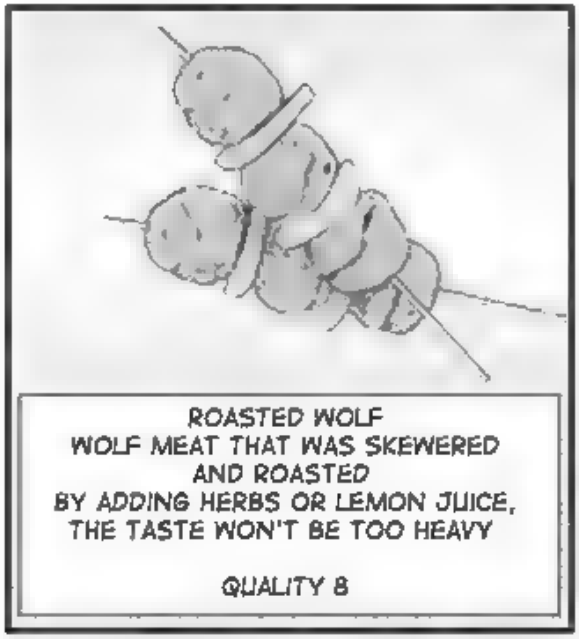
WE FINALLY BEAT IT...


ROASTED WOLF
WOLF MEAT THAT WAS SKEWERED AND ROASTED
BY ADDING HERBS OR LEMON JUICE, THE TASTE WON'T BE TOO HEAVY
QUALITY 8

WHY DON'T WE TAKE A BREAK AND EAT SOMETHING? I'VE BROUGHT MY NEW CREATION.
AWESOME, YOU BROUGHT IT!

JUST AS A JOKE.
WHY DO I GET NPC BREAD?!
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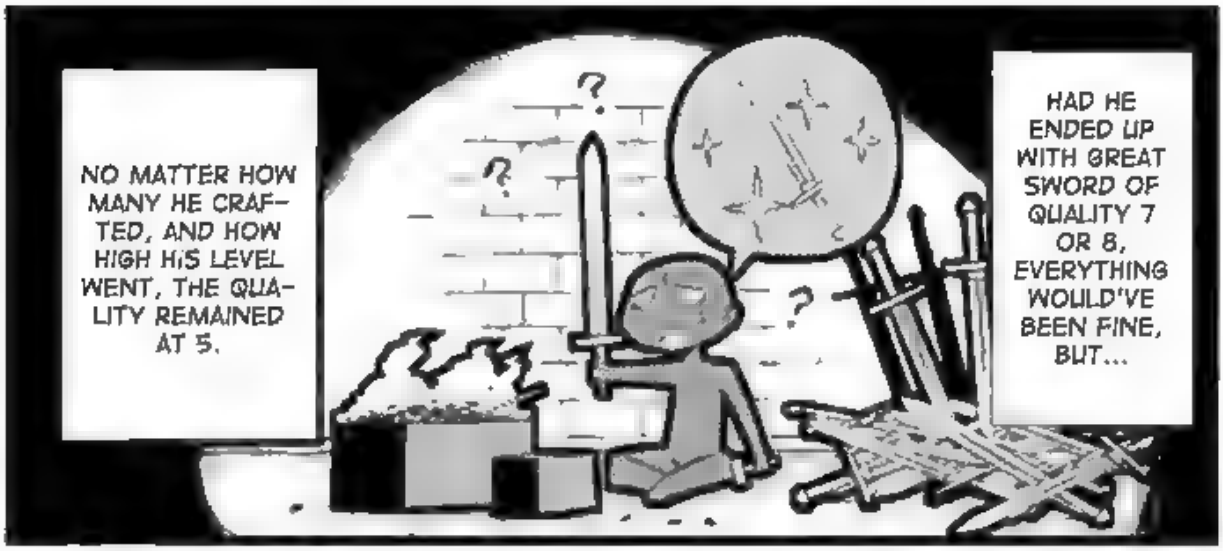
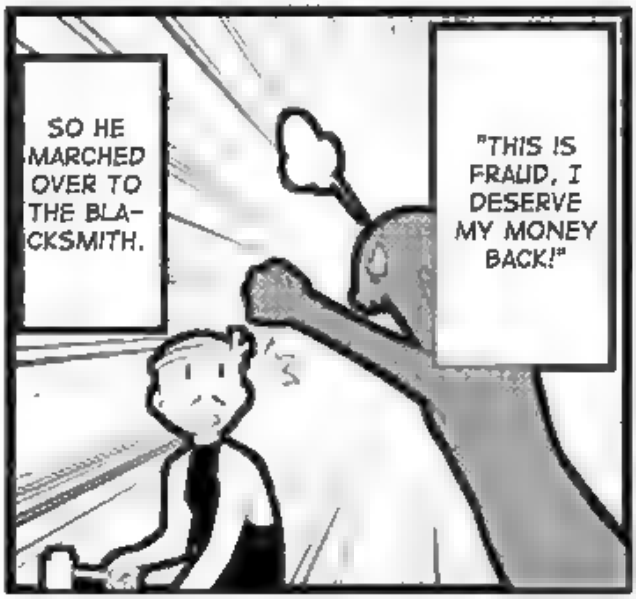
IT LOOKS UNREFINED, BUT IT'S ACTUALLY RATHER WELL DONE.
I LOVE MEAT SO MUCH!
MMM, THIS IS TASTY

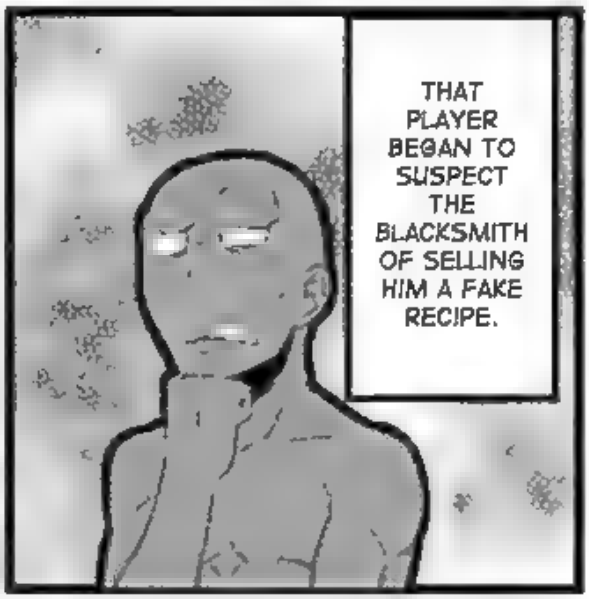
IT'S NOT A MATTER OF PRICE, THEY'RE JUST NOT SOLD
IT'S A LONG STORY.
SAY, HAVEN'T THERE BEEN A LOT OF NEW COOKS LATELY?
I'VE ALSO BEEN THINKING OF LEARNING THE SKILL, BUT HOW EXPENSIVE ARE RECIPES?
IT'S SOMETHING OF AN UNSPOKEN RULE THAT CRAFTERS DON'T SELL RECIPES.
THERE'S 2 REASON, THE FIRST IS MONEY
I'M ALSO CURIOUS, MIND EXPLAINING THAT?
THERE'S THE HUNT FOR INGREDIENTS, AND THE RESEARCH.
MAKING A FEW PROTOTYPES COSTS A FAIR BIT(LIKE THE HERBS AND SUCH)
A LARGE AMOUNT OF MONEY GOES INTO MAKING A SINGLE RECIPE.
IF YOU WANT MONEY, IT'S EASIER TO JUST GO HUNTING.

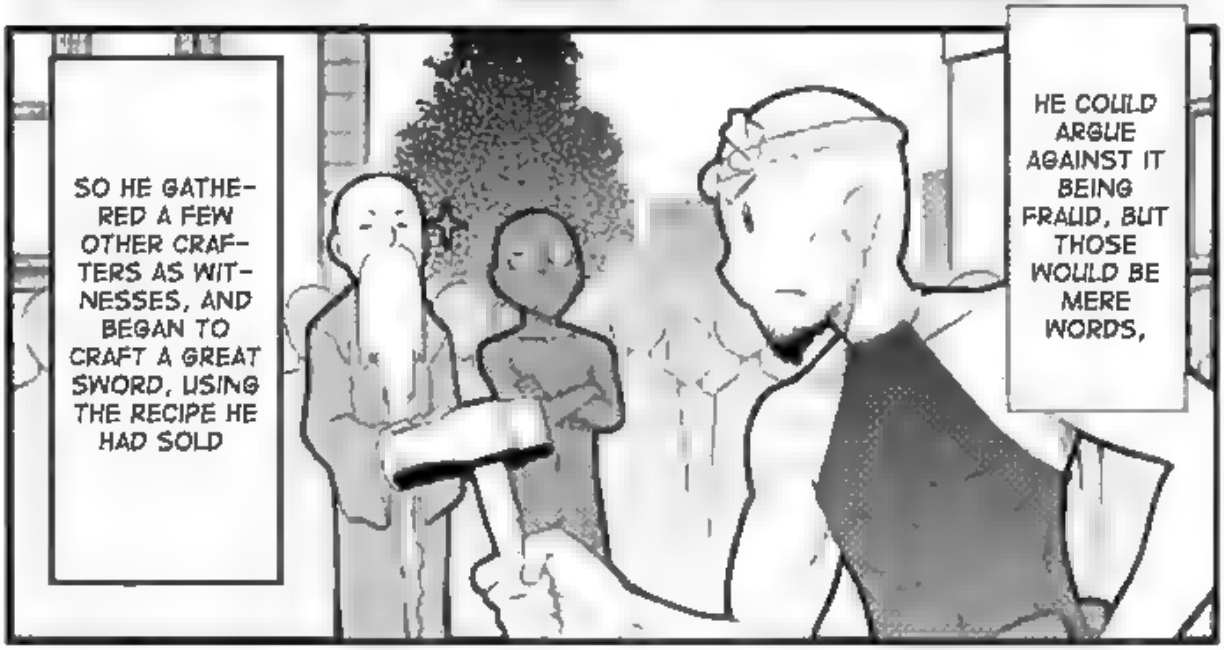
THE SECOND IS THAT THERE MIGHT BE A HIDDEN STAT INVOLVED IN CRAFTING
THIS IS WHAT I'VE HEARD FROM THE VARIOUS PLAYERS THAT HAVE DISCUSSED IT.
I'LL EXPLAIN IT WITH A STORY ABOUT A BLACKSMITH.
IF 5 QUALITY GIVES A BONUS OF ATK+10,
8 SEEMS TO JUMP TO 30, LIKE IT'S A COMPLETELY DIFFERENT SWORD.
THIS BLACKSMITH WAS PRETTY GOOD, HE COULD CONSISTENTLY MAKE GREAT SWORDS WITH 8 QUALITY
BECAUSE OF THAT, PLENTY OF SWORDSMEN WANTED HIS SWORDS.
THEY WERE EXPENSIVE BUT A GOOD SWORD WILL PROTECT YOU.
IT'LL ALSO KILL MONSTERS MORE QUICKLY, LETTING YOU EARN MORE MONEY

THAT PLAYER THOUGHT THAT HE TOO WOULD BE ABLE TO MAKE EASY MONEY IF HE HAD THAT RECIPE,
ANOTHER PLAYER SAW HOW WELL IT WAS GOING.
SO HE PAID THE BLACKSMITH A LARGE AMOUNT OF MONEY FOR THE RECIPE.
NATURALLY, CRAFTING THIS MUCH MADE HIS BLACKSMITHING SKILL GO THROUGH THE ROOF
AND STARTED POUNDING AWAY AT METAL, ALL AS THE RECIPE SAID.
HE THEN GATHERED THE MATERIALS,

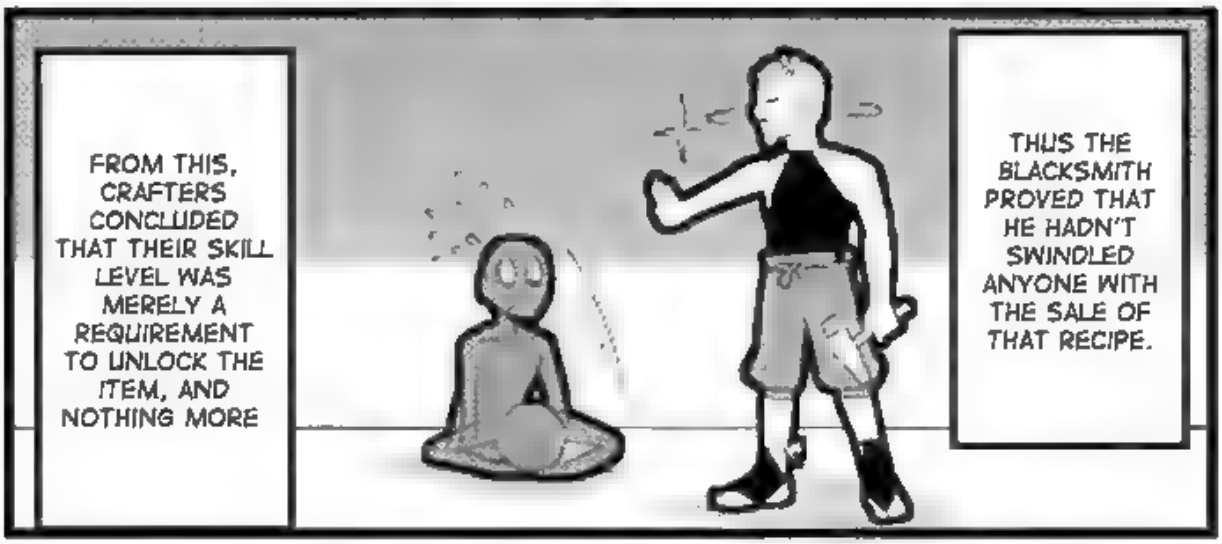

NO MATTER HOW MANY HE CRAFTED, AND HOW HIGH HIS LEVEL WENT, THE QUALITY REMAINED AT 5.
HAD HE ENDED UP WITH GREAT SWORD OF QUALITY 7 OR 8, EVERYTHING WOULD'VE BEEN FINE, BUT...

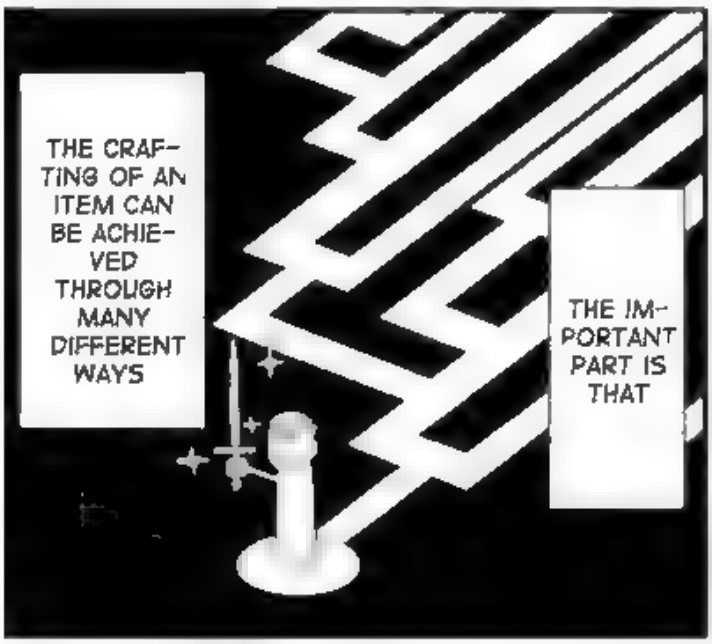

SO HE MARCHED OVER TO THE BLACKSMITH.
"THIS IS FRAUD, I DESERVE MY MONEY BACK!"

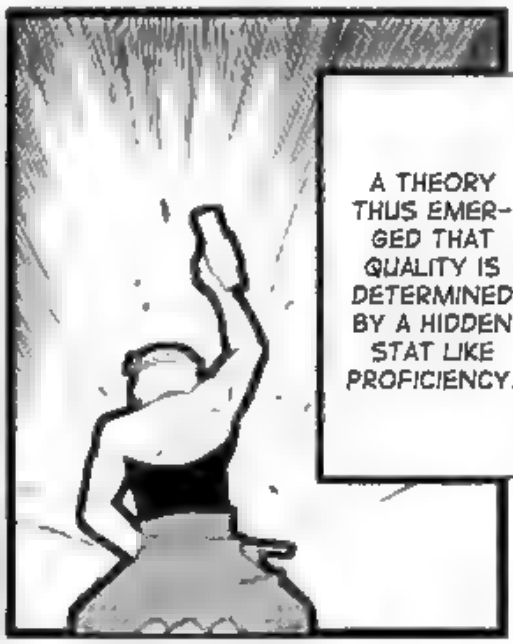

THAT PLAYER BEGAN TO SUSPECT THE BLACKSMITH OF SELLING HIM A FAKE RECIPE.


SO HE GATHERED A FEW OTHER CRAFTERS AS WITNESSES, AND BEGAN TO CRAFT A GREAT SWORD, USING THE RECIPE HE HAD SOLD
HE COULD ARGUE AGAINST IT BEING FRAUD, BUT THOSE WOULD BE MERE WORDS,

USING THAT RECIPE, HE HAD MANAGED TO CREATE A TRUE GEM.
THE WITNESSES LATER CONFIRMED THE QUALITY OF THE SWORD, WHICH WAS, WOULD YOU BELIEVE IT? 9!


FROM THIS, CRAFTERS CONCLUDED THAT THEIR SKILL LEVEL WAS MERELY A REQUIREMENT TO UNLOCK THE ITEM, AND NOTHING MORE
THUS THE BLACKSMITH PROVED THAT HE HADN'T SWINDLED ANYONE WITH THE SALE OF THAT RECIPE.


THE CRAFTING OF AN ITEM CAN BE ACHIEVED THROUGH MANY DIFFERENT WAYS
THE IMPORTANT PART IS THAT


A THEORY THUS EMERGED THAT QUALITY IS DETERMINED BY A HIDDEN STAT LIKE PROFICIENCY.

EVEN FOR HORNED RABBIT MEAT,
YOU CAN COOK IT LIKE A ROLLED CABBAGE, OR A SOUP, OR ROAST IT, THERE'S MANY DIFFERENT WAYS.
THERE'S MANY FLAVORS AND SHAPES,
BUT THEY ALL ARRIVE AT THE SAME GOAL: SUCCESSFULLY CRAFTING IT.
IT'S THE SAME FOR ARMOR AND WEAPONS, THERE'S MANY DIFFERENT WAYS, AND THEY'RE ALL CORRECT.
SO FOR EVERYONE OUT THERE, THERE'S SEVERAL WAYS THAT'LL WORK FOR THEM.
ALL THOSE CRAFTERS CONCLUDED AS SUCH, AFTER COMPARING VARIOUS RECIPES.
SO A RECIPE IS PROOF OF A PERSON'S HARD WORK AND INGENUITY,
AND IT WAS CONCLUDED THAT EVEN IF YOU COPY IT, YOU WON'T GET THE SAME QUALITY.

IT'S BEEN DECIDED THAT YOU SHOULDN'T SELL RECIPES.
BECAUSE GIVING THAT PERSON A RECIPE
WOULD SIMPLY PREVENT THEM FROM GROWING AS A CRAFTER,

BUT SOME PEOPLE DOUBT IT, AND SIMPLY THINK THAT IT'S CRAFTERS ATTEMPTING TO PREVENT OTHERS FROM PROFITING.

NATURALLY, THIS INFOR-MATION HAS BEEN SPREAD AROUND ONLINE,
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生産者の皆
465: 名も知れぬ冒険
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466: 名も知れぬ冒険者
これは生産者のみなさんお疲れ
467: 名も知れぬ冒険者
儲けを独占する情報操作でしょ

EVERYONE HAS TO FIND THEIR OWN WAY OF CRAFTING EVERYTHING.
THIS STORY ENDED UP TAKING A WHILE TO TELL, BUT THAT'S WHY YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO BUY RECIPES.

WELL, SOME MIGHT CLAIM IT'S JUST TO KEEP OTHERS OUT, BUT THAT'S THE TRUE STORY.
OH, SO THERE WAS A STORY LIKE THAT.
EVEN IN THE REAL WORLD, PEOPLE WILL SOMETIMES DOUBT THE TRUTH.
SOME THINGS ARE SIMPLY RESTRICTED BASED ON AGE,
WHICH IS RATHER BORING AND KINDA SAD.
YOU SHOULD JUST DO WHAT YOU CAN, IF IT DOESN'T WORK OUT, THEN JUST TRY ANOTHER METHOD, IT'S A GAME AFTER ALL, YOU SHOULD ENJOY IT.
AL-RI-GHT.
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YOU CLEVER LITTLE BAS-TARD.
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THEN LET'S JUST LET EARTH COOK THE FOOD FOR CHEAP,
LET'S STICK TO NORMAL BEARS THIS TIME.
AND CONTI-NUE THE HUNT!

IT'S EVENING NOW,
LET'S END IT FOR TODAY.

THUS, MY FIRST TIME PLAYING WITH A PARTY ENDED WELL.
ON THE WAY BACK, I ADDED REIJI, NORA, AND KAZAMINE TO MY FRIENDS LIST.